

**JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY**

County Board Room, County Building

**Board Meeting of
Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 10:00 A.M.**



TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT

**WILLIAM M. BEAVERS
JERRY BUTLER
EARLEAN COLLINS
JOHN P. DALEY
JOHN A. FRITCHEY
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PETER N. SILVESTRI
DEBORAH SIMS
ROBERT B. STEELE
LARRY SUFFREDIN
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI**

**MATTHEW B. DeLEON
SECRETARY TO THE BOARD**

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10:00 A.M.

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OFFICIAL RECORD

President Preckwinkle in the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

QUORUM

Secretary to the Board, Matthew B. DeLeon called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Beavers, Collins, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin, and Tobolski (15)

Also Present: President Preckwinkle

ABSENT: Commissioner, Butler, and Reyes (2)

INVOCATION

Rev. Steven Bartczyszyn, C.R., Pastor of St. Hyacinth Basilica, gave the invocation.

President Preckwinkle moved that the meeting do now recess for the purpose of holding the Finance Committee meeting.

BOARD RECONVENED

President Preckwinkle in the Chair.

PRESIDENT

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, moved that Proposed Ordinance Amendment be referred as amended to the Committee on the Finance (Comm. No. 12FIN0068). **The motion carried unanimously.**

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance Amendment sponsored by

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board and JERRY BUTLER, JOHN P. DALEY, JESUS G. GARCIA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWIN REYES, and ROBERT B. STEELE, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board Commissioners

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$70,000,000.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION
ALTERNATE BONDS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE
ACQUISITION OF LAND AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE DISTRICT**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE
DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Authority and Purpose. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the Local Government Debt Reform Act, 30 Illinois Compiled Statutes 350, and the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act, 70 Illinois Compiled Statutes 810, for the following purposes: (a) to construct, acquire, equip, repair and renovate buildings and make other improvements to land of the District (as defined herein), including Brookfield Zoo and the Botanic Garden; (b) to acquire land and equipment for the District; (c) to finance capitalized interest relating to the Bonds (as defined herein); (d) to finance the premium for a municipal bond insurance policy relating to the Bonds, if necessary or desirable; and (e) to finance costs of issuance relating to the Bonds (collectively, the "Projects").

Section 2. Authorization of Bonds. To meet part of the \$70,000,000.00 estimated cost of the Projects, including financing capitalized interest and the premium for a municipal bond insurance policy relating to the Bonds, and the cost of issuance of the bonds herein authorized, all as permitted under the Local Government Debt Reform Act, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois (the "District")

is hereby authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the District (the "Bonds") in one or more series and in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$70,000,000.00. The Bonds shall constitute "Alternate Bonds" under Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act.

Section 3. General Obligations. The full faith and credit of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds. The Bonds shall be direct and general obligations of the District, and the District shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property in the District for the payment of the Bonds and the interest thereon, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 4. Revenue Source. The Bonds shall be payable from amounts paid to the District from the Personal Property Tax Replacement Fund of the State of Illinois pursuant to Section 12 of the State Revenue Sharing Act, 30 Illinois Compiled Statutes 115 (the "State Revenue Sharing Act") (or from any successor or replacement fund or act as may be hereafter enacted) (the "PPRT Revenues") exclusive of any portion of such amounts that must be used for "Statutory Claims" as defined in the State Revenue Sharing Act. The PPRT Revenues constitute a "Revenue Source" within the meaning of Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act.

The Revenue Source is hereby pledged for the payment of the Bonds. The Board of Commissioners covenants to provide for, collect and apply such Revenue Source to the payment of the Bonds and the provision of not less than an additional .10 times the annual debt service on the Bonds.

Section 5. Supplemental Proceedings. If no petition meeting the requirements specified in Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act is filed during the applicable petition period, then the Board of Commissioners may adopt additional ordinances and proceedings supplementing or amending this ordinance so long as the maximum amount of Bonds herein authorized is not exceeded and there is no material change in the purpose described in this ordinance. Such additional ordinances or proceedings shall in all instances become effective immediately without publication or posting or any further act or requirement.

Section 6. Publication. This ordinance shall be published in the "~~Chicago Sun Times~~ *Chicago Tribune*," a newspaper of general circulation in the District. The publication of this ordinance shall be accompanied by the publication of the notice required by Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act. For a period of 30 days after such publication, a petition may be filed with the Secretary of the District signed by electors numbering 7.5% of the registered voters in the District, asking that the issuance of the Bonds be submitted to referendum. If no petition is filed within such 30 day period, then the Bonds shall be authorized to be issued.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, moved that Proposed Ordinance Amendment be approved as amended and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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12-O-05

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Sponsored by

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MISCELLANEOUS MISCONDUCT
CHAPTER OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF
THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Title 3, Chapter 3, Section 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County hereby is amended as follows:

Section 3-3-14: INJURY OR DESTRUCTION TO FOREST PRESERVE PROPERTY. No unauthorized person shall in any Forest Preserve:

- A. Destroy, cut, break, deface, mutilate, injure, disturb, sever from the ground or remove any sod, earth or growing thing including, but not limited to, any plant, flower, flower bed, shrub, tree, growth, or any branch, stem, fruit, or leaf thereof; or bring into or have in his/her possession in any forest Preserve any tool or instrument intended to be used for the cutting thereof, or any garden or agricultural implements or tools which could be used for the removal thereof except as approved and allowed by permit. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.
- B. Set fire to any trees, shrubs, plants, flowers, grass, plant growth or living timber, or suffer any fire upon land to extend into Forest Preserve lands. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.
- C. Go upon any lawn, grass plot, planted area, tree, shrub, monument, fountain, sculpture where access is prohibited by signs or symbols which are posted or otherwise displayed or where access is restricted by fence or other physical barrier. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined seventy-five dollars (\$75.00).
- D. Cut, break or in any way injure, deface, destroy or alter any building, fence, monument, sculpture bridge, or other structure or property contained therein. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.
- E. Operate or drive any motor car, automobile or vehicle of any kind in the Forest Preserve in places other than roadways or in such a manner as to cause the same to collide with, run against, strike or cause to strike, injure, deface or damage any Forest Preserve property or appurtenance of any kind. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.
- F. Allow any animal to injure or deface any tree, plant, shrub, lawn or grassplot in any manner whatsoever. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined seventy-five dollars (\$75.00).

- G. Deface, destroy, cover over or otherwise make unreadable any warning or prohibitory sign or symbol on Forest Preserve property. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.
- H. Use, possess or offer for use a mineral or metal detector, magnetometer, side scan sonar, other metal detecting device, or subbottom profiler on Forest Preserve District property nor shall any unauthorized person be allowed to excavate, remove, damage, alter or deface, or attempt to excavate, remove, damage, or otherwise alter or deface Forest Preserve District property in connection with or for the purpose of engaging in metal detecting activities. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Subsection shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

Commissioner Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Ordinance Amendment be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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12-O-06

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Sponsored by

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROTECTION
OF NATURAL FEATURES AND WILDLIFE**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners that Title 2 Forest Preserve Lands and Property, Chapter 2 Protection of Natural Features and Wildlife, Section 3 Protection of Animals, of the Code of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County hereby is amended as follows:

2-2-3: PROTECTION OF ANIMALS.

- A. Killing or Disturbing Animals and Birds: No person shall trap, catch, wound or kill, or treat cruelly, or attempt to trap, catch, wound or kill any bird or animal or molest or rob any nest of any bird or any lair, den or burrow of any animal in or upon any land owned by the Forest Preserve District.
- B. Catching or Removing Fish or Aquatic Life: No person shall fish in any of the waters of the Forest Preserve District, except such portions thereof as may be designated by the Board of Commissioners under such regulations as may be prescribed by said Board, nor shall any person remove or capture, nor attempt to remove or capture, whether by use of seine, net, trap or other device, any fish or other aquatic life in or from any of the waters of the Forest Preserve District, unless authorized by the District.

C. Hunting Devices:

1. Prohibited: No person shall bring into or carry upon any preserve a seine, net, trap or similar device capable of being used or operated in hunting, trapping, taking, killing or destroying any game, bird, fish or other aquatic life.
2. Nuisance Declared: Each and every device used or operated or attempted to be used or operated by any person in hunting, taking, killing or destroying any game, fowl, bird, fish and other aquatic life, contrary to any of the provisions hereof, is hereby declared a nuisance and subject to seizure and confiscation by any police officer, ranger or other employee of the Forest Preserve District.

D. Contraband: All live or dead game, animals, fowl, birds, fish and other aquatic life, or any part hunted, killed, taken or destroyed, bought, sold, bartered or had in possession, contrary to any of the provisions hereof, shall be and the same are declared to be contraband and the same shall be subject to seizure and confiscation by any police officer, ranger or other employee of the Forest Preserve District.

E. Penalty: Any person violating any of the provisions of this Section shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

Effective date: This amended ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Daley, moved to accept the Proposed Substitute Resolution. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Daley, moved that the Proposed Substitute Resolution be approved and adopted as amended. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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12-R-05

RESOLUTION

Sponsored by

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT,
SALARY SCHEDULE AND WAGE ADJUSTMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Illinois Public Employee Labor Relations Act (5ILCS 315/1 et seq.) has established regulations regarding collective bargaining with a union; and

WHEREAS, the Collective Bargaining Agreement Salary Schedule and wage adjustments for the period of January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2012 covering various employees in the Maintenance and

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Resource Management Departments of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “District”) has been negotiated between the District and Teamsters Local 700; and

WHEREAS, the general increases and wage adjustments that have been negotiated are reflected in the Salary Schedule and are included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiated between the District and Teamsters Local 700; and

WHEREAS, the District would like to provide similar retroactive and future salary increases, without adopting any of the other provisions referenced in the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the District and Teamsters Local 700 and to the extent that such increases do not cause any recipient’s salary to exceed \$99,999.99, to its graded employees (except for employees who in graded positions above grade 23 or who are sworn law enforcement officers) who are not covered under a collective bargaining agreement (“Non-Union Employees”).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the District Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement, Salary Schedule and wage adjustments negotiated between the District and Teamsters Local 700, as well as retroactive wage payments and salary increases for Non-Union Employees, to the extent that such increases do not cause any Non Union Employee’s salary to exceed \$99,999.99, who were duly appointed and are in active payroll status with the District on the date of passage and approval of this Resolution as follows:

Effective with the first full pay period,
on or after January 1, 2011 2.25%

Effective with the first full pay period,
on or after June 1, 2012 3.75%

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Director of Human Resources, Chief Financial Officer, and Comptroller are hereby authorized to implement the Salary Schedule and wage adjustments as negotiated and otherwise outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Comptroller is hereby directed to make all payments consistent with this resolution.

Adopted this 4th day of April, 2012.

COMMISSIONERS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Gorman, moved that the Report of the Committee on Rules be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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REPORT OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT RULES COMMITTEE

April 4, 2012

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The Honorable,
The Forest Preserve District of Cook County
Board of Commissioners

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Suffredin, Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Schneider, Sims and Steele (6)

Absent: Commissioners Fritchey, Gainer and Silvestri (3)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Rules of the Forest Preserve District of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County met pursuant to notice on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at the hour of 9:45 A.M. in the Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Your Committee has considered the following item and upon adoption of this report, the recommendation is as follows:

12RULE0003 SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Matthew B. DeLeon, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of the Proceedings of the meeting held on Thursday, March 8, 2012.
***Referred on 03/08/12**

Vice Chairman Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Daley, moved to Approve Communication No. 12RULE0003. The motion carried.

Vice Chairman Gorman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Sims. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTION
WITH REGARD TO THE MATTER NAMED HEREIN:**

Communication Number 12RULES0003 Approved

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that the Report of the Committee on Finance be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

REPORT OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

APRIL 4, 2012

The Honorable,
The Forest Preserve District
Board of Commissioners of Cook County

ATTENDANCE

Present: President Preckwinkle and Chairman Goslin, Vice Chairman Steele, Commissioners Beavers, Collins, Daley, Fritchey, Garcia, Gorman, Murphy, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski(14)

Absent: Commissioners Butler, Gainer and Reyes (3)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

SECTION 1

Your Committee has considered the following disbursements submitted by the Administration of the Forest Preserve for payments.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends that the Forest Preserve District Comptroller and Forest Preserve District Treasurer be, and by the adoption of this report, authorized and directed to issue checks to said vendors in the amounts recommended.

12FINA0051 **CONSERVATION DESIGN FORUM**, Elmhurst, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$21,454.85 for Contract Number: 11-80-14. Total Contract Awarded: \$160,430.00. Capital Improvement Account Number: 091000-670061. Purchase Order Number: 038900. Original Board Approval Date: October 5, 2011. Description: Professional Services – Master Plan for the Oak Forest Preserve.

District: 6

12FINA0052 **CONSERVATION DESIGN FORUM**, Elmhurst, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$21,454.85 for Contract Number: 11-80-14. Total Contract Awarded: \$160,430.00. Grant Account Number: 108062-620040. Purchase Order Number: 038901. Original Board Approval Date: October 5, 2011. Description: Professional Services – Master Plan for the Oak Forest Preserve.

District: 6

12FINA0053 **PAN-OCEANIC ENGINEERING**, Chicago, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$26,950.00 (Final Payment) for Contract Number: 10-80-104. Total Contract Awarded: \$26,950.00. Construction & Development Account Number: 588000-670061. Purchase Order Number: 039121. Original Board Approval Date: May 4, 2011. Description: Furnish and Install Floor Tile at General Headquarters

District: 9

- 12FINA0054 **GROUNDKEEPER LANDSCAPE**, Orland Park, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$79,608.00 for Contract Number: 11-31-105. Total Contract Awarded: \$159,216.00. Restoration Landscape Account Number: 091000-670055. Purchase Order Number: 038962. Original Board Approval Date: September 8, 2011. Description: Tree Removal Due to Emerald Ash Borer

Districts: 13 & 14

- 12FINA0055 **VEGA TREE SERVICE**, Stone Park, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$50,000.00 for Contract Number: 11-31-108. Total Contract Awarded: \$125,000.00. Restoration Landscape Account Number: 091000-670055. Purchase Order Number: 038961. Original Board Approval Date: October 5, 2011. Description: Tree Removal Due to Emerald Ash Borer

Districts: 9, 10, 12 & 13

COMMISSIONER SILVESTRI VOTED PRESENT ON THE ABOVE ITEM.

- 12FINA0056 **VEGA TREE SERVICE**, Stone Park, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$37,300.00 for Contract Number: 11-31-118. Total Contract Awarded: \$37,300.00. Restoration Landscape Account Number: 090200-670055. Purchase Order Number: 039019. Original Board Approval Date: December 15, 2011. Description: Tree Removal Due to Emerald Ash Borer

Districts: 16 & 17

COMMISSIONER SILVESTRI VOTED PRESENT ON THE ABOVE ITEM.

- 12FINA0057 **CURRIE MOTORS**, Frankfort, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$173,467.00 for Contract Number: M12762. Total Contract Awarded: \$173,467.00. Vehicles and Trucks Account Number: 090200-660051. Purchase Order Number: 039011. Original Board Approval Date: November 2, 2011. Description: Eight (8) 2012 Ford Escape SUV's

Districts: Districtwide

- 12FINA0058 **SASAFRASNET, LLC**, Chicago, IL, submitting invoice totaling \$151,894.46 for Contract Number: 11-53-063R. Total Contract Awarded: \$4,708,095.00. Corporate Gasoline and Oil Account Number: 015100-640170. Purchase Order Number: 039046 & 039124. Original Board Approval Date: December 15, 2011. Description: Motor Fuel for Vehicles and Trucks

Districts: Districtwide

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF THE DISBURSEMENTS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SECTION 2

Your Committee has considered the following communications with reference to the proposed settlements.

Your Committee, concurring in the recommendations of the District Counsel, recommends that the Forest Preserve District Comptroller and Forest Preserve District Treasurer prepare checks in the amounts recommended by the District Counsel in order that the payments may be set in accordance with the request of the upon proper release from the District Counsel.

12FINA0059

Finance Subcommittee on Litigation of the
Forest Preserve District.....March 8, 2012

Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2012 To Present: \$1,999.04

Proposed Settlements To Be Approved: \$0.00

Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2012 To Present: \$207,347.60

Legal Fees for March 8, 2012 To Be Approved: \$167,846.32

***For details on payment approvals by the Litigation Subcommittee, refer to the Litigation Subcommittee Report for March 8, 2012.**

COMMISSIONER MURPHY VOTED NO ON THE THREE (3) INVOICES REGARDING SHAKMAN.

COMMISSIONER SILVESTRI, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation
of the Forest Preserve District.....April 3, 2012

Workers' Compensation Claims Approved Fiscal Year 2012 To Present: \$14,100.00

Workers' Compensation Claims To Be Approved: \$82,573.85

***For details on payment approvals by the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee, refer to the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee Report for April 3, 2012.**

CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDER RECESSED THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMITTEE MEETING TO APRIL 17, 2012.

SECTION 3

Your Committee has considered the bids submitted on the items hereinafter described in accordance with the specifications on file in the Office of the Forest Preserve District Purchasing Agent. Communications from the Forest Preserve District Purchasing Agent submitting recommendations on the award of contracts for said item, be and by the adoption of this Report, awarded as follows. Any money if deposited will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders at once and to the successful bidder upon the signing of the contract.

12FINA0060

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

Requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Design Group Signage Corp., whose principal place of business is located in Des Plaines, IL, for fabrication and installation of grove maps and informational entrance signs.

Contract Number 11-80-31 This Contract consists of fabricating and installing 132 4'x6' Information map signs at locations throughout Cook County, furnish 20 4'x6' Information map signs, furnish and install 378 entrance information signs at locations throughout Cook County, furnish 100 entrance information signs and furnish all necessary hardware and other related work as specified in the plans & specifications. Design Group Signage Corp. was the lowest responsive and responsible of five (5) bidders.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on February 29, 2012. The Forest Preserve District of Cook County staff requests approval to award a contract to Design Group Signage Corp.

The bid results were as follows:

1. Design Group Signage Corp.	\$ 349,957.50
2. Western Remac	\$ 437,766.00
3. Path Construction	\$ 438,830.00
4. GFS fence, Guardrails & Signage	\$ 552,163.06
5. AGAE	\$ 555,342.20

* On February 29, 2012, when the bids were read out loud, Design Group Signage Corp. had a bid of \$350,000. After further review by Forest Preserve staff it was determined that a mathematical error had occur and that Design Group Signage Corp. actual bid is \$349,957.50. Western Remac's bid also contained a mathematical error and was read as \$441,020, but actual bid is \$ 437,766.00.

Design Group Signage Corp. is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures.

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It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

Board Approval to solicit bids: January 19, 2012

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$349,957.50

Contract Period: April 4, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Construction & Development Sign Identification account numbers: 598000-670065, 608000-670065, 618000-670065.

Districts: District Wide

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0060). THE MOTION CARRIED.

12FINA0061

Transmitting a Communication, dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Tallgrass Restoration LLC, Schaumburg, Il., for Shoreline enhancement and maintenance.

Reason: Contract 12-31-102 consists of vegetation management in accordance with the detailed specifications on and around the many shoreline areas of the Forest Preserves holdings. Tallgrass Restoration LLC, was the lowest responsive and responsible of eight (8) bidders for the Shoreline Vegetation Management, time and materials contract.

The Forest Preserve District Board of Cook County granted permission to advertise this project for bid on July 13, 2011.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on March 9, 2012.

The time and materials bid results were as follows:

1. Tallgrass Restoration, LLC.	\$348.00*
2. Pizzo & Associates, Ltd.	\$348.00
3. ENCAP	\$396.00
4. CLS	\$471.72
5. V3	\$472.00
6. JF New	\$565.00

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7. McGinty Brothers	\$635.48
8. Integrated Lakes Management	\$657.50

*Per Section 1-8-2.E, preference may be given to the lowest bid from a responsive and responsible local business which does not exceed the lowest bid from a responsive and responsible non local business by more than 2%. **Tallgrass Restoration LLC was selected based on the fact they are a bona fide local business within Cook County. Pizzo & Associates, Ltd. is based in La Salle County.**

Contractor is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: Not to exceed \$500,000 per 12 months of the contract.

Contract period: 36 months from the date of execution with one (1) two (2) year renewal option.

Account Number: Capital Improvement Fund Account: 090200-670055 – Restoration / Landscape

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the bid proposal.

District Wide

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0061). THE MOTION CARRIED.

12FINA0062

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

Requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Pavement Systems Inc., where principal place of business is located in Blue Island, IL, for parking lot resurfacing at Yankee Woods, Bur Oak, Rubio Woods, Bachelors Grove & Elizabeth Conkey Forest South.

Contract Number 12-80-01 This Contract consists of removal and replacement of 5 parking lots. Work includes Hot-Mix Binder Course, Hot-Mix Surface Course, Sewer Repairs, Striping, and other related incidental work necessary to complete this improvement according to plans, Standard Specifications and Detail Specifications. Pavement Systems was the lowest responsive and responsible of eight (8) bidders.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on March 7, 2012. The Forest Preserve District of Cook County staff requests approval to award a contract to Pavement Systems Inc.

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The bid results were as follows:

1. Pavement Systems Inc.	\$737,630.00
2. J & R, 1 st in Asphalt	\$744,940.00
3. Accu – Paving	\$790,057.00
4. Crowley-Sheppard	\$777,265.00
5. Alpha Paving	\$787,244.50
6. Matthew Paving	\$787,811.50
7. Allstar Asphalt	\$820,067.00
8. ChicagoLand	\$853,250.00

Pavement Systems Inc. is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

Board Approval to solicit bids: January 19, 2012
Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$737,630.00

Contract Period: April 4, 2012 through August 24, 2012.

Construction & Development Parking Project account numbers: 598000-670057, 608000-670057, 618000-670057.

Districts: 6

**VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY,
MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0062). THE
MOTION CARRIED.**

12FINA0063

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012, from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

Requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a (3) three year contract with (2) two – one year renewal options with Recycling Systems Inc. whose principal place of business is located at 3152 S. California, Chicago Illinois for disposal of refuse in Region 1.

This contract 12-51-101 consists of disposal of refuse generated at locations in the South/Southwest Region collected by district staff.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on March 7, 2012. The Forest Preserve District of Cook County staff requests approval to award a contract to Recycling Systems Inc.

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The bid results were as follows	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Recycling Systems Inc.	\$39.50 per ton	\$40.00 per ton	\$40.50 per ton
Heartland Recycling	\$41.54 per ton	\$41.94 per ton	\$42.24 per ton
Allied Waste	\$47.34 per ton	\$49.02 per ton	\$50.73 per ton
Groot Waste	\$49.00 per ton	\$49.93 per ton	\$50.87 per ton

Recycling Systems Inc. is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures. This contract requires funding from additional years for the duration of this contract.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

Board Approval to solicit bids: November 2, 2011.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$25,000.00 annually

Contract Period: May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2015.

Account Number 015100-620335

District: 11 & 17

**VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY,
MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0063). THE
MOTION CARRIED.**

12FINA0064

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012, from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

Requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a (3) three year contract with (2) two – one year renewal options with Recycling Systems Inc. whose principal place of business is located at 3152 S. California, Chicago Illinois for disposal of refuse in Region II.

This contract 12-51-102 consists of disposal of refuse generated at locations in the Central Region collected by district staff.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on March 7, 2012. The Forest Preserve District of Cook County staff requests approval to award a contract to Recycling Systems Inc.

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The bid results were as follows:	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Recycling Systems Inc.	\$39.50 per ton	\$40.00 per ton	\$40.50 per ton
Heartland Recycling	\$41.54 per ton	\$41.94 per ton	\$42.24 per ton
Allied Waste	\$47.36 per ton	\$49.02 per ton	\$50.73 per ton
Groot Waste	\$49.00 per ton	\$49.00 per ton	\$49.00 per ton

Recycling Systems Inc. is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures. This contract requires funding from additional years for the duration of this contract.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

Board Approval to solicit bids: November 2, 2011.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$30,000.00 annually

Contract Period: May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2015.

Account Number 015100-620335

District: 9 & 16

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0064). THE MOTION CARRIED.

12FINA0065

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012, from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

Requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a (3) three year contract with (2) two – one year renewal options with Veolia ES Solid Waste Midwest LLC.,(Veolia) whose principal place of business is located at 3851 Burdick, Rolling Meadows, Illinois for disposal of refuse in Region III.

This contract 12-51-103 consists of disposal of refuse generated at locations in the North/Northwest Regions collected by district staff.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on March 7, 2012. The Forest Preserve District of Cook County staff requests approval to award a contract to Veolia ES Solid Waste Midwest LLC.

The bid results were as follows:	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
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Veolia	\$45.15 per ton	\$46.51 per ton	\$47.91 per ton
Heartland Recycling	\$41.54 per ton	\$41.94 per ton	\$42.24 per ton
Allied Waste	\$47.36 per ton	\$49.02 per ton	\$50.73 per ton
Groot Waste	\$49.00 per ton	\$49.93 per ton	\$50.87 per ton
Republic Services	\$48.00 per ton	\$49.00 per ton	\$50.00 per ton

Heartland Recycling was disqualified as their location was beyond the 20 mile radius from locations in Region III as described in the bid specifications.

Veolia ES Solid Waste Midwest LLC. is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures. This contract requires funding from additional years for the duration of this contract.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

Board Approval to solicit bids: November 2, 2011.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$30,000.00 annually

Contract Period: May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2015.

Account Number 015100-620335

District: 13 & 14

**VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY,
MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0065). THE
MOTION CARRIED.**

12FINA0066

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012, from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

Requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a (3) three year contract with (2) two – one year renewal options with Homewood Disposal Service Inc.,(Homewood Disposal) whose principal place of business is located at 1501 W. 175th Street, Homewood Illinois for disposal of refuse in Region IV.

This contract 12-51-104 consists of disposal of refuse generated at locations in the Southeast Region of the District collected by district staff.

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Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on March 7, 2012. The Forest Preserve District of Cook County staff requests approval to award a contract to Homewood Disposal Inc..

The bid results were as follows:	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Homewood Disposal	\$40.00 per ton	\$41.00 per ton	\$42.00 per ton
Heartland Recycling	\$41.54 per ton	\$41.94 per ton	\$42.24 per ton
Allied Waste	\$47.36 per ton	\$49.02 per ton	\$50.73 per ton
Groot Waste	\$49.00 per ton	\$49.93 per ton	\$50.87 per ton

Homewood Disposal is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures. This contract requires funding from additional years for the duration of this contract.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

Board Approval to solicit bids: November 2, 2011.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$10,000.00 annually

Contract Period: May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2015.

Account Number 015100-620335

District: 5 & 6

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (12FINA0066). THE MOTION CARRIED.

SECTION 3

12FINA0067

Your Committee was presented with the Revenue Report for the period ended February 29, 2012 for the Corporate Fund, as presented by the Finance and Administration Department.

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REVENUE REPORT. THE MOTION CARRIED.

SECTION 4

Your Committee has considered the following item and upon adoption of this report, the recommendation is as follows:

11FINA0165

Submitting a Proposed Ordinance Amendment sponsored by

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

1-9-3: FEES AND OCCUPANCY OF DISTRICT LANDS

Section 1-9-3, entitled FEES AND OCCUPANCY OF DISTRICT LANDS, Chapter 9 of the COOK COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT CODE, is amended as follows:

A. *Occupancy by Other than Forest Preserve District Employees:* Hereafter, all leases, privileges and occupancy must be requested by the applicant from the Board of Forest Preserve Commissioners, and no leases or permits of occupancy shall be given without first having the approval of the Board.

B. *Resident District Employees:* Employee occupancy shall be governed as follows:

1. All Employees occupying residences are required and must agree to perform the following duties.
 - a. Must be thoroughly familiar with District boundaries within their assigned area and make periodic inspections to make certain that District property is protected and report any prohibited or illegal activity and encroachments.
 - b. Be on constant watch for fires. During times of extreme fire dangers, must be available to report for fire duty. All watchman residents must be fire certified as a burn crew member and be in possession of the issued personal fire protection gear, flapper and/or backpack pump.
 - c. Check all bodies of water; clean up all minor debris; check all facilities for vandalism; and during the appropriate seasons check area frequently for illegal hunters.
 - d. Complete and submit Resident Watchman Report on a bi-monthly basis.
 - e. Must be constantly aware that as a public employee residing on public lands assistance must be offered to those visitors who need and request help and/or information. Must ensure that the District provided sign indicating that the residence is a Watchman Residence is prominently posted at all times.
2. All occupants of District residences will pay utilities costs (heat, electric, water and sewage).
3. An employee granted permission to occupy a Residence that is attached to ~~or adjacent to~~ a District facility shall pay an occupancy fee of ~~Two Hundred Forty~~ Four Hundred and sixty-eight dollars (~~\$240.00~~ \$468.00) per month.

4. An employee granted permission to occupy a Residence that is adjacent to a District facility shall pay an occupancy fee of Five Hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$585.00) per month.
- 4.5. An employee granted permission to occupy a Free Standing residence shall pay an occupancy fee of ~~Four Hundred Eighty~~ Seven Hundred and two dollars (\$480.00 \$702.00) per month.
- 5.6. Every two years, subject to approval for at the renewal of the Occupancy Agreement, every resident will sign a new agreement with any changes that have been voted upon by the Housing Committee and approved by the General Superintendent. Any fee increase will commence at this time based on the Consumer Price Index added to the current fee and incorporated into the new Occupancy Agreement.
- 6.7. All fees collected will be placed into a Special Revenue fund, which will be used to maintain the major repairs of the residences and/or build standard maintenance facilities with an attached apartment. A house that has been deemed obsolete or is a burden to the District will be authorized for demolition.
- 7.8. The Housing Committee shall ~~periodically review~~ conduct no less than one annual inspection of all residences based on need. If a house has been deemed by the Housing Committee to be obsolete or a burden to the District, a recommendation for demolition will be presented to the Board of Commissioners. The Housing Committee may authorize random inspections of each residence in the Housing Program as deemed necessary to maintain the integrity of the program and compliance with the terms of the Occupancy Agreement.
- 8.9. All residents will be responsible for "Minor Maintenance" and the Forest Preserve District will be responsible for "Major Maintenance", as each term is defined in the Occupancy Agreement.
- 9.10. This section, relating to Fees and Occupancy of District Lands, shall be re-evaluated by the Housing Committee and reported to the General Superintendent on an annual basis. An Annual Report, which will include any recommended changes, shall be placed on the Agenda of the March meeting of the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners.
10. 11. Those employees who retire or resign from employment with the District shall be required to ~~perform services for the District as before retirement and they vacate the premises.~~ Retired employees shall vacate the premises within a reasonable time after retirement, not to exceed three (3) months sixty (60) days after their last day of employment. Retirees and employees who resign shall be responsible for paying all required fees.
11. 12. Widows/Widowers of employees shall be required to vacate the premises within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed ~~one (1) year~~ six (6) months after the spouse's demise, provided widows/widowers are appropriately indicated in the Occupancy Agreement. Widows/Widowers shall be responsible for paying all required fees, but shall not be responsible for providing services of the Occupancy Agreement.
12. 13. The General Superintendent shall establish policies and procedures for the occupancy of

District residences as set forth in the Resident Watchman Program Manual. The General Superintendent has the discretion to add or subtract any task necessary to assist in the mission statement of the Forest Preserve District.

- ~~13.~~ 14. A Housing Committee shall be appointed and designated by the General Superintendent.
15. The performance of all duties and responsibilities of the resident watchman as set forth in the Occupancy Agreement shall be monitored by the Housing Committee. Failure to perform or to adhere to the terms of the Occupancy Agreement by the resident watchman and authorized occupants of the District residence may result in termination of the Occupancy Agreement.
- ~~14.~~ 16. ~~No later than the last day of the fiscal year, and at the end of subsequent fiscal year,~~ The Forest Preserve District Superintendent shall ~~submit~~ place on the agenda of the March meeting of the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners an Annual report to the Forest Preserve Board of Commissioners listing the names of employees occupying forest preserve homes for part of all of the fiscal year, as well as their job titles and salaries. In addition, the report shall contain copies of all watchman reports filed by employees occupying forest preserve homes.

***Referred to the Committee on Finance on 11/02/11.**

**COMMISSIONER TOBOLSKI, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE
MOVED TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE
AMENDMENT TO COMMUNICATION NO. 11FINA0165.**

**PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
TO COMMUNICATION NO. 11FINA0165**

Submitting an Amendment to the Proposed Ordinance Amendment sponsored by

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, JESUS G. GARCIA, ELIZABETH "LIZ" DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE, AND LARRY SUFFREDIN, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

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B. *Resident District Employees:* Employee occupancy as a Resident Watchman shall be governed as follows:

1. All ~~Employees~~ Resident Watchmen occupying residences are required and must agree to perform the following duties in accordance with the provisions of the Resident Watchman Program Manual and Occupancy Agreement:
 - a. Must be thoroughly familiar with District boundaries within their assigned area and make periodic inspections to make certain that District property is protected and report any prohibited or illegal activity and encroachments.
 - b. Be on constant watch for fires. During times of extreme fire dangers, must be available to report for fire duty. All watchman residents must be fire certified as a burn crew member and be in possession of the issued personal fire protection gear, flapper and/or backpack pump.
 - c. Check all bodies of water; clean up all minor debris; check all facilities for vandalism; and during the appropriate seasons check area frequently for illegal hunters.
 - d. Complete and submit Resident Watchman Report on a bi-monthly basis.
 - e. Must be constantly aware that as a public employee residing on public lands assistance must be offered to those visitors who need and request help and/or information. Must ensure that the District provided sign indicating that the residence is a Watchman Residence is prominently posted at all times.
2. All occupants of District residences will pay utilities costs (heat, electric, water and sewage).
3. An employee granted permission to occupy a Residence that is attached to ~~or adjacent to~~ a District facility shall pay an occupancy fee of Three Hundred ninety seven (\$397.00) per month for the year 2012 ~~Two Hundred Forty~~ Four-Hundred and sixty-eight dollars (\$240.00-\$468.00) per month for the year 2013 and each year thereafter.
4. An employee granted permission to occupy a Residence that is adjacent to a District facility shall pay an occupancy fee of Four Hundred eighty-one (\$481.00) per month for the year 2012 and Five Hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$585.00) per month for the year 2013 and each year thereafter.
54. An employee granted permission to occupy a Free Standing residence shall pay an occupancy fee of Six Hundred twenty-five (\$625.00) per month for the year 2012 and ~~Four Hundred Eighty~~ Seven Hundred and two dollars (\$480.00-\$702.00) per month for the year 2013 and each year thereafter.
65. Every two years, subject to application and approval for the ~~at the~~ renewal of the Occupancy Agreement, every ~~resident~~ Resident Watchman will sign a new agreement with any changes that have been voted upon by the Housing Committee and approved by the General Superintendent. Any fee increase will commence at this time based on the

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Consumer Price Index added to the current fee and incorporated into the new Occupancy Agreement.

- ~~76.~~ All fees collected will be placed into a Special Revenue fund, which will be used to maintain the major repairs of the residences and/or build standard maintenance facilities with an attached apartment. A house that has been deemed obsolete or is a burden to the District will be authorized for demolition.
- ~~87.~~ The Housing Committee shall ~~periodically review~~ conduct no less than one annual inspection of all residences ~~based on need~~. If a house has been deemed by the Housing Committee to be obsolete or a burden to the District, a recommendation for demolition will be presented to the Board of Commissioners. The Housing Committee may authorize random inspections of each residence in the Housing Program as deemed necessary to maintain the integrity of the program and compliance with the terms of the Occupancy Agreement.
- ~~98.~~ All residents will be responsible for the performance of duties and responsibilities as set forth in the Occupancy Agreement and for "Minor Maintenance" and the Forest Preserve District will be responsible for "Major Maintenance", as each term is defined in the Occupancy Agreement.
- ~~109.~~ This section, relating to Fees and Occupancy of District Lands, shall be re-evaluated by the Housing Committee and reported to the General Superintendent on an annual basis. An Annual Report, which will include any recommended changes, shall be placed on the Agenda of the March meeting of the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners.
- ~~1140.~~ Those employees who retire or resign from employment with the District shall be required to ~~perform services for the District as before retirement and~~ they vacate the premises. Retired employees shall vacate the premises within a reasonable time after retirement, not to exceed three (3) months thirty (3-60) days after their last day of employment. Retirees and employees who resign shall be responsible for paying all required fees through the date of termination of occupancy, but shall not be responsible for providing services of the Occupancy Agreement.
- ~~1244.~~ Widows/Widowers of employees shall be required to vacate the premises within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed ~~one (1) year six (6) three (3) months~~ after the spouse's demise, provided widows/widowers are appropriately indicated in the Occupancy Agreement. Widows/Widowers shall be responsible for paying all required fees through the date of termination of occupancy, but shall not be responsible for providing services of the Occupancy Agreement.
- ~~1342.~~ The General Superintendent shall establish policies and procedures for the occupancy of District residences as set forth in the Resident Watchman Program Manual. The General Superintendent has the discretion to add or subtract any task necessary to assist in the mission statement of the Forest Preserve District.
- ~~1443.~~ A Housing Committee shall be appointed and designated by the General Superintendent.
- ~~15.~~ The performance of all duties and responsibilities of the Resident Watchman as set forth in the Occupancy Agreement shall be monitored by the Housing Committee. Failure to

perform or to adhere to the terms of the Occupancy Agreement by the Resident Watchman and authorized occupants of the District residence may result in termination of the Occupancy Agreement.

- ~~1614.~~ ~~No later than the last day of the fiscal year, and at the end of subsequent fiscal year,~~ The Forest Preserve District Superintendent shall ~~submit~~ place an annual report on the agenda for the March Board meeting of the ~~to the~~ Forest Preserve Board of Commissioners listing the names of employees occupying forest preserve homes for part or f-all of the fiscal year, as well as their job titles and salaries. In addition, the report shall contain copies of all watchman reports filed by employees occupying forest preserve homes.

COMMISSIONER TOBOLSKI, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO COMMUNICATION NO. 11FINA0165 AS AMENDED. THE MOTION CARRIED.

VICE CHAIRMAN STEELE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION CARRIED AND THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Miscellaneous Business be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS SCIENCE AND RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

The District will be hosting its first Science and Research Symposium on April 19, 2012 at Lincoln Park Zoo's Café Brauer. The symposium will bring together and showcase our experts as well as fellow researchers, university partners, teachers, students, volunteer monitors and other interested parties. The symposium is a full day of diverse presentations, with additional posters and digital slides in an adjoining room, all aimed at highlighting the exciting projects underway to study, protect and restore the unique nature and wildlife found throughout Cook County. Participants will employ a unique "speed presenting" format aimed at encouraging attendees to learn from others outside their area of expertise while highlighting the variety of important research taking place on District land.

The Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this request and acknowledges that the funds for this project are available.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$29,200.00. (011000-620090 Professional Services, 011000-620091 Advertising/Promotion, and 011000-620310 Printing Accounts)

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Permission to Advertise be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to advertise for bids for supply and installation of Veeder Root TLS- 300 consoles at 16 sites throughout the District. These consoles monitor fuel levels, delivery of product, low product alarm, overfill alarm, measure water levels in fuels and monitor fuel temperatures. This product will augment our current fuel management system.

Contract Period: One time purchase. (090200-630000 – Capital Outlays Maintenance Account)

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Agreement be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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PROPOSED AGREEMENT NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the District to enter into an agreement with the National Audubon Society New York, New York for the purpose of funding seasonal interns to be hired by the Audubon Society as short term restoration technicians.

Reason: The National Audubon Society carries out ecological restoration work with interns assigned to District natural areas. This program allows certain restoration activities to be accomplished at volunteer stewardship sites that augment the work done by volunteers. The District has funded this very successful program since 2006.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$160,000.00. Contract period: From Date of Execution through December 31, 2012. (013100-620053 Restoration Intern Program Account).

Districtwide

The Proposed Agreement was withdrawn by the Sponsor.

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**PROPOSED AGREEMENT
MAX MCGRAW WILDLIFE FOUNDATION**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization the District to enter into an agreement with the Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation, Dundee, Illinois to conduct research in cooperation with the District which will include capture and monitoring of wildlife populations and the collection and laboratory analysis of blood and fecal samples.

Reason: The District has utilized the Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation for assistance with wildlife capture, collection, marking and monitoring as well as analysis of animal blood and fecal samples since 2008. This work assists the District with tracking wildlife disease transmittance between various wildlife populations and their potential communication to human populations. Information gathered through this work is shared throughout the health services community.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$60,000.00. Contract period: From Date of Execution through December 31, 2012. (013100-630336 Wildlife Disease Monitoring and Health Studies Account).

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Agreement be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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**PROPOSED AGREEMENT
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization the District to enter into an agreement with the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine Urbana, IL to perform laboratory testing of blood and tissue samples to detect any potential transmittal of diseases from animals to humans such as Rabies, West Nile Virus, Chronic Wasting Disease and Avian Influenza.

Reason: The District has utilized the University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine for lab analysis of tissue and blood samples since 2008. This important work allows District Wildlife Biologists to track changes in disease transmittal in the wildlife community and how those diseases may affect the human population. Information acquired through this analysis is dispersed throughout the health services community to better inform them of potential risks to human populations.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$40,000.00. Contract period: Date of Execution through December 31, 2012. (013100-630336 Wildlife Disease Monitoring and Health Studies Account).

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Agreement be approved and adopted. Commissioner Collins voted present. **The motion carried.**

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**PROPOSED AGREEMENT
R J THOMAS MANUFACTURING COMPANY**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent
requesting authorization the District to enter into an agreement with the R J Thomas Manufacturing Company, Cherokee, Iowa for the purchasing 1000 ADA compliant metal leg picnic tables.

Reason: R J Thomas manufacturing company is currently in a joint purchase agreement with the general services administration. GS-07F-9714G. The picnic tables will be used Districtwide.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$239,660.00. Contract period: April 4, 2012 thru August 31, 2012. (618000-630000 Capital Outlays Maintenance Account).

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, moved that Proposed Agreement be approved as amended and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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**PROPOSED AGREEMENT
CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent
requesting authorization the District to enter into an agreement with the Chicago Botanic Garden to assist the district in its efforts to identify and monitor rare plant species.

Reason: The Chicago Botanic Garden coordinates the Plants of Concern program for the Chicago Wilderness region. Plants of Concern engages citizen scientists to monitor the Chicago Wilderness region's rarest plants, assess trends in their populations, and provide important data used to conserve our rapidly declining floral heritage. The District would like to utilize the CBG to assist the district in identifying and monitoring rare plant species within the District's holdings.

The Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this request and acknowledges that the funds for this project are available in account number 090200-670055 – Restoration / Landscape.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$18,000.00. Contract period: 32 weeks from time of execution (090200-670055 Capital Improvement Fund, Restoration / Landscape Account).

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
CITY'S GREENCORPS CHICAGO PROGRAM**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the District to enter into and execute an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago for the purpose of utilizing the City's Greencorps Chicago Program to facilitate various restoration and habitat enhancement projects.

Reason: The City of Chicago Department of Transportation manages a green industry job training program called Greencorps Chicago. Greencorps Chicago provides re-entry opportunities and skills to unemployed individuals in landscaping and horticulture, tree care, ecological restoration, chainsaw operation and safety, herbicide application, seed collection, plant identification, regional ecology, and prescription burn training. The District wishes to utilize Greencorps Chicago crews in undertaking certain ecological restoration and habitat enhancement projects, as well as other related land management projects. The District has assisted the City in recent years with training and educational opportunities. This agreement affords an opportunity for the District and the City's Greencorps program to enhance their mutually beneficial relationship.

The Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this request and acknowledges that the funds for this project are available in account number 090200-670055 – Restoration / Landscape.

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Contract be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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**PROPOSED CONTRACT
RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into a professional services contract with a consultant team lead by GreenPlay, LLC, a Lafayette, Colorado-based consulting firm with extensive experience in recreational program and facility planning, to assist in the development of the District's Recreation Master Plan.

Reason: Contract 12-80-18 consists of evaluation of the District's recreational programs and facilities and development of a strategic programming and facility development plan that will be used as a resource for future investment in recreational programs and capital investment in recreational facilities.

The Forest Preserve District received eleven (11) proposals for the project. The firm of GreenPlay, LLC, along with their national and local team including: Kim Bailey (Denver, CO), Design Concepts, CLA, Inc. (Lafayette, CO); Public Research Group (Naperville, IL); and Design Perspectives, Inc. (Naperville, IL), were determined to have submitted the most responsive and responsible proposal, particularly relating to their experience with similar type projects and cost or value.

The total cost for professional fees is not to exceed \$230,000.00. The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. GreenPlay, LLC, is certified as a Minority/Business Enterprise (MWBE).

Estimated Fiscal Impact: not to exceed \$230,000.00. Contract Period: April 4, 2012 through April 4, 2013. (618000-620040 and 528000-620040 Planning & Development Department, Construction and Development Accounts)

Districtwide

Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved that Proposed Grant Award be approved and adopted. Commissioners Silvestri and Tobolski voted present. **The motion carried.**

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**PROPOSED GRANT AWARD
METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS**

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization to accept a grant award in the amount of \$40,000.00 from the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, Chicago, Illinois. The source of this funding award is the Urban and Community Forestry Program of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Reason: This grant will provide funds that support District's efforts to reduce the negative impacts of ash tree loss on public land. The District will replant lost trees with a variety of native trees at several of the most popular picnic groves. Replanting will help us enrich the public's experience at these sites, promote forest diversity, and enhance the many benefits that a healthy ecosystem provides to the surrounding communities.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: None (The District's ongoing tree planting program will suffice as the matching funds for the purposes of the grant). Grant Award: \$40,000.00. Funding period: March 1, 2012 to June 1, 2013.

Commissioner Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, moved that Proposed Contract be approved and adopted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

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UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Transmitting a Communication dated April 4, 2012 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

The Forest Preserve Foundation is sponsoring the First Annual Conservation Cup golf outing which will benefit open space initiatives. Join President Preckwinkle and golf legend Billy Casper on Thursday, September 13, 2012 at the George W. Dunne National Golf Course.

Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Daley moved to adjourn. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.